

## Bureau of Labor Statistics Products and Services

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#### **Products and Services**



- BLS gathers, analyzes, and disseminates economic data
- Products cover employment levels, wages, consumer and producer prices, employer costs, productivity, and much more
- Most BLS programs offer data on national, regional, state, and local levels

### **Unemployment Rates**



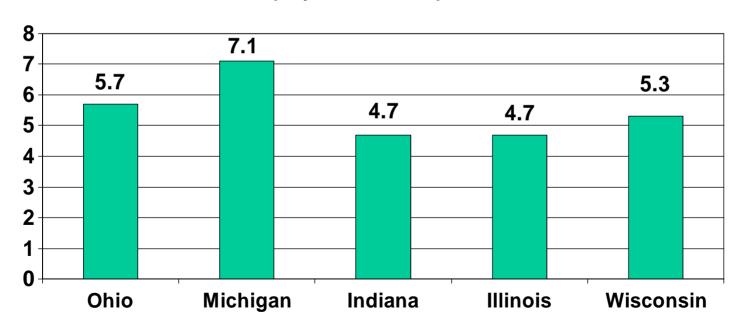
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#### **Unemployment Rate, April 2007**



### **Employment Trends**



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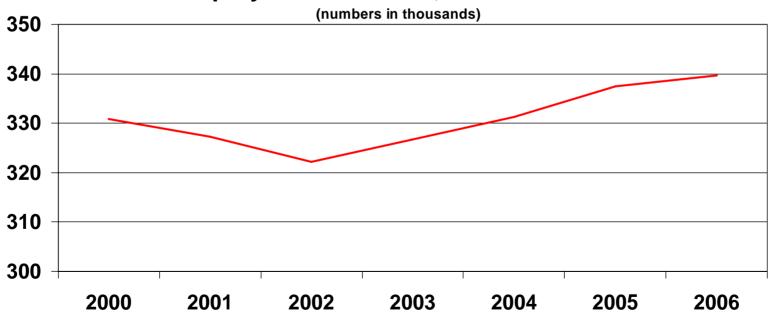
- Data is divided into industry supersectors
- for nation, regions, states, and metro areas
- Data is released monthly
  - National data released on the first Friday of the month
  - Region, state, and metro area data are released throughout the month

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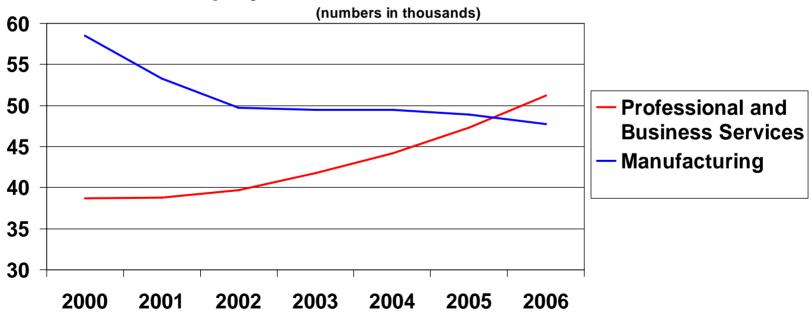


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#### **Employment in Akron, OH Metro Area**



### Wages by Occupation

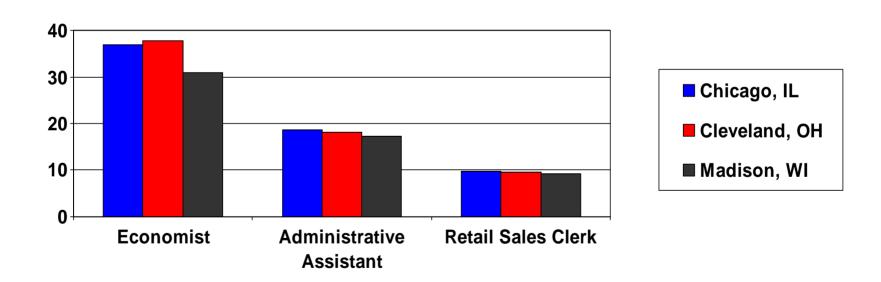


- Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)
- Wage data is available for more than 800 specific occupations
- Data is available on national, state, and metro area levels
- Wages are calculated on an hourly basis

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#### Occupational Employment Statistics (OES)



## Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages



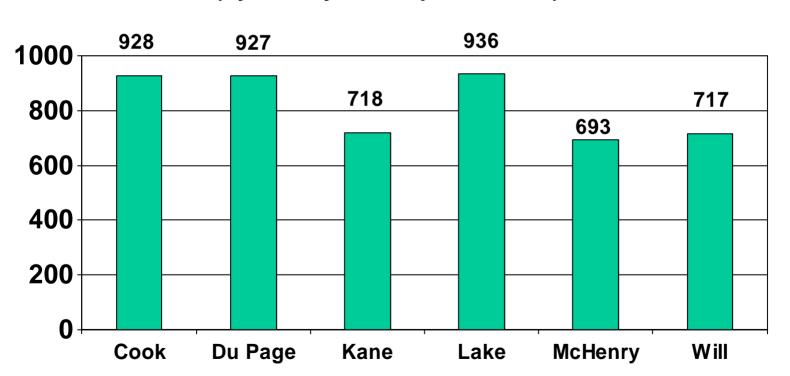
- Cooperative program between the BLS and state unemployment offices
- Creates data on the county level
- Measures wages as weekly averages

## Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages



#### **Wages in Chicago Metro Area**

(by county, third quarter 2006)

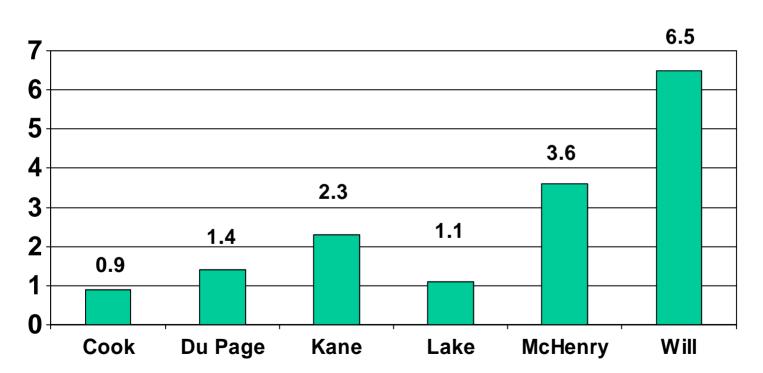


## Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages



#### **Employment in Chicago Metro Area**

(annual change by county, third quarter 2006)



#### Other programs



- Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Producer Price Index (PPI)
- Injuries, Illnesses, and Fatalities (IIF)
- National Compensation Survey (NCS)
- Employment Cost Index (ECI)
- American Time Use Survey (ATUS)
- Consumer Expenditure Survey (CEX)

#### **Distribution Methods**



- BLS web site (www.bls.gov)
- Press releases
- Mailing lists
- BLS Infolines (312-353-1880)
- Outreach efforts
- Other analytical products

#### **Analytical Products**



## Midwest Auto Parts Manufacturing 1992-2006

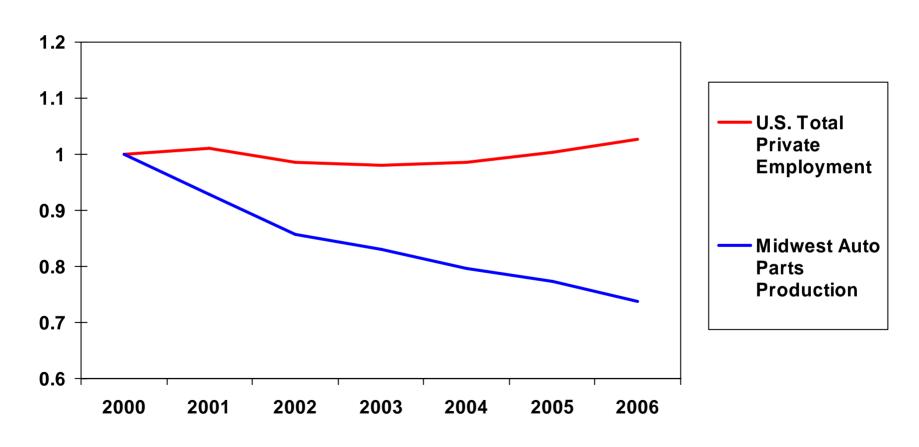
### Background



- Auto parts manufacturing employs roughly three times as many as auto assembly
- More than 50% of auto parts manufacturing jobs are in the fivestate Midwest region
- The nation's three largest auto parts manufacturing states are in the Midwest - Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana

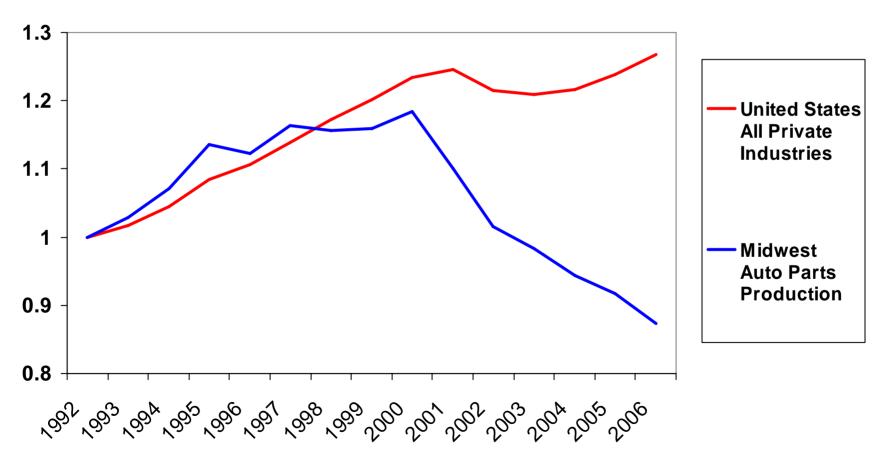
#### Indexed Employment, 2000-2006





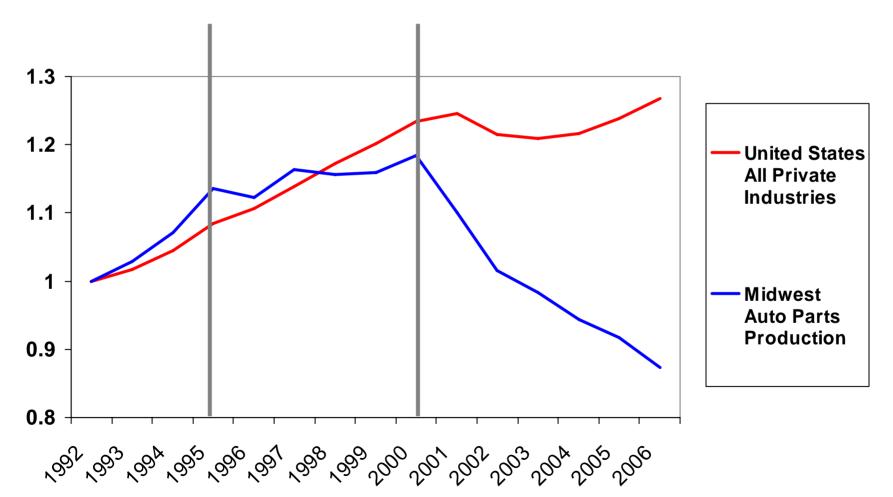
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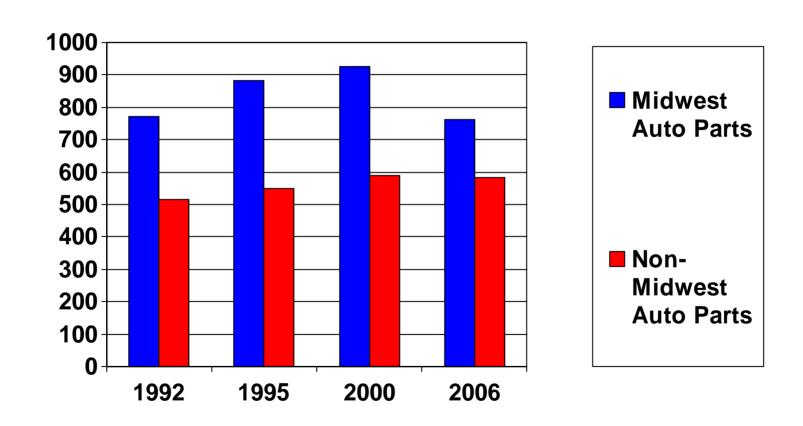
## Potential Causes of 2000-2006 Decline



- Increased presence of the foreign sector
- Increased productivity reduced the need for workers
- Domestic competition

## Wage Levels





#### Auto Parts Production Employment, 2000-2006

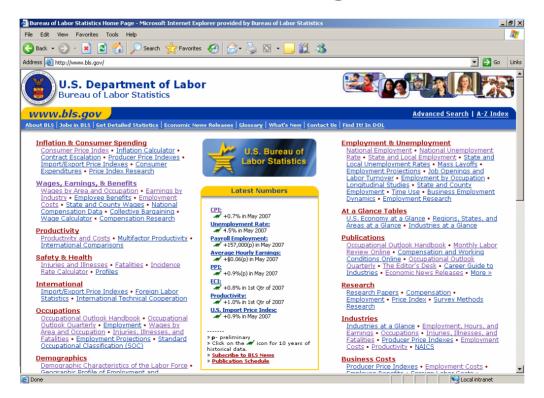


Midwest Region	% Change in Employment
Ohio	- 19.4%
Michigan	- 32.5%
Indiana	- 22.9%
Illinois	- 16.9%
Wisconsin	- 26.2%
East South Central Region	
Kentucky	+ 7.0%
Tennessee	- 2.8%
Alabama	+ 20.3%
Mississippi	- 34.7%

#### **Data Resources**



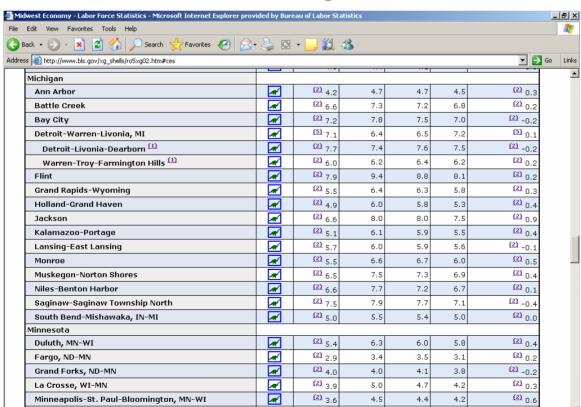
# National Data www.bls.gov



#### **Data Resources**



# Regional Data www.bls.gov/ro5





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